

BRIDGE ACROSS THE CHOWAN RIVER, N. C.

FEBRUARY 26, 1925.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. HUDDLESTON, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 4229]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill S. 4229, a bill granting the consent of Congress to State Highway Commission of North Carolina to construct a bridge across the Chowan River at or near the city of Edenton, N. C., having considered the same, report thereon with a recommendation that it pass.

The bill has the approval of the War and Agriculture Departments, as will appear by the letters attached and which are made a part of this report.

WAR DEPARTMENT, *February 12, 1925.*

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Commerce, United States Senate.

The accompanying bill, S. 4229, Sixty-eighth Congress, second session, "granting the consent of Congress to the State Highway Commission of North Carolina to construct a bridge across the Chowan River at or near the city of Edenton, North Carolina," is in the general form of such measures adopted by Congress, and so far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I know of no objection to its favorable consideration.

The Chowan River is, however, wholly within the limits of the State of North Carolina, and the proposed bridge can consequently be authorized by State law and duly constructed provided the plans are submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and Secretary of War before construction is commenced, in conformity with the Federal law contained in section 9 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899. The enactment of this measure therefore appears to be unnecessary.

JOHN W. WEEKS, *Secretary of War.*

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
Washington, February 12, 1925.

Hon. W. L. JONES,
Chairman Committee on Commerce, United States Senate.

DEAR SENATOR JONES: The department has received your letter of February 6, transmitting a copy of S. 4229 with request for suggestions relating to the merits of the bill and the propriety of its passage.

